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For: <b>WAVEGUIDE STRESS ENGINEERING</b>	)	
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 CFR 1.121, mailed 25 October 2004, which stated that each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier. Applicants submit a corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document. The new "Amendments To The Claims" section now recites the correct status identifiers.

If the Examiner has any questions, the undersigned attorney would appreciate a telephone call.

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